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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action of July 9, 2010, the three-month period for response being until October 12, 2010 (October 9, 2010 being a Saturday and October 11, 2010 being a Federal holiday), please reconsider the rejections of the above-identified application as follows. Allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

***Amendments to the Claims*** begin on page 2 of this paper.

***Remarks*** begin on page 9 of this paper.